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1. ACCORDING TO A PYRESA STORY DATELINED FROM NEW YORK, SPAIN AND THE SOVIET UNION WILL SIGN TWO AGREEMENTS TOWARD THE YEAR'S END, ONE OF A CULTURAL NATURE AND THE OTHER FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CONSULAR RELATIONS. THE STORY SUGGESTS THAT THESE AGREEMENTS WOULD MARK AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARD THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FULL RELATIONS AND THAT COMMERCIAL RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION HAVE SEEN NOTABLE GROWTH.

2. THE NEW CUBAN AMBASSADOR, CARLOS E. ALFARAS CARELA, ACCOMPANIED BY HIS WIFE, ARRIVED IN MADRID YESTERDAY. ALFARAS LIMITED HIMSELF TO TELLING THE PRESS AT THE AIRPORT THAT IT WAS ONE OF THE HAPPIEST MOMENTS OF HIS LIFE. HE REFUSED TO ANSWER PRESS QUESTIONS ON THE GROUNDS THAT THERE WAS A UNWRITTEN LAW THAT AMBASSADORS DO NOT MAKE QTE DECLARATIONS UNQTE BEFORE PRESENTING THEIR CREDENTIALS.
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